

Chambers of Chief Bankruptcy Judge Barbara J. Houser *continued*

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; American Bar Foundation, American Bar Association; American College of Bankruptcy; National Bankruptcy Conference; State Bar of Texas; Texas Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas

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Robert L. Jones

Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1955
Education: Texas Tech 1978 BA, 1982 JD
Began Service: April 2000
Term Expires: April 4, 2014

Legal Practice: Jackson, Walker, Winstead, Cantwell & Miller (1982-1985); Crenshaw, Dupree & Milam, LLP (1985-2000)

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D. Michael Lynn

Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1943
Education: Lawrence U 1965 BA; Columbia 1972 JD
Began Service: September 18, 2001
Term Expires: September 18, 2015

Legal Practice: Stutzman & Bromberg; Weil, Gotshal & Manges; Attorney, Moore & Peterson

Military Service: United States Naval Reserve

Staff

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Harlin DeWayne "Cooter" Hale

Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: March 19, 1957
Education: LSU 1979 BS, 1982 JD
Began Service: November 1, 2002
Term Expires: October 31, 2016

Clerkships: Law Clerk, Associate Justice James L. Dennis, Supreme Court of Louisiana (1982-1983)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; The Honorable John C. Ford American Inn of Court, The American Inns of Court; Dallas Bankruptcy Bar Association; Dallas Bar Association; Federal Bar Association; Louisiana State Bar Association; National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges; State Bar of Texas

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Russell F. Nelms

Bankruptcy Judge

Education: Texas Tech 1975 BA, 1978 JD
Began Service: November 22, 2004
Term Expires: 2018

Current Memberships: National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges; Tarrant County Bar Association

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Stacey G. C. Jernigan

Bankruptcy Judge

Education: Southern Methodist 1986 BBA; Texas 1989 JD
Began Service: May 2006
Term Expires: May 2020

Legal Practice: Associate, Haynes and Boone, LLP (1989-1996); Partner, Haynes and Boone, LLP (1997-2006)

Staff

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Number of Judgeships: 19

Number of Vacancies: 2

Areas Covered: Counties of Aransas, Austin, Bee, Brazoria, Brazos, Brooks, Calhoun, Cameron, Chambers, Colorado, DeWitt, Duval, Fayette, Fort Bend, Galveston, Goliad, Grimes, Harris, Hidalgo, Jackson, Jim Hogg, Jim Wells, Kenedy, Kleberg, La Salle, Lavaca, Live Oak, Madison, Matagorda, McMullen, Montgomery, Nueces, Refugio, San Jacinto, San Patricio, Starr, Victoria, Walker, Waller, Webb, Wharton, Willacy and Zapata

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Hayden Head

Chief Judge

Note: U.S. District Judge Hayden Head will be taking Senior Status on November 12, 2009.

Date of Birth: 1944
Education: Texas 1967 BA, 1968 LLB
Began Service: October 26, 1981
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

Legal Practice: Associate, Head & Kendrick (1968-1969); Associate, Head & Kendrick (1972-1976); Partner, Head, Kendrick & Head (1976-1981)

Military Service: United States Navy (1969-1972)

Current Memberships: Federal Judges Association; Maritime Law Association of the United States; State Bar of Texas; Texas Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas

Staff

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Micaela Alvarez

District Judge

Education: Texas 1980 BS, 1989 JD
Began Service: December 27, 2004
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

Government: Board Member, Office of Risk Management, State of Texas (1997-2005); Member, Advisory Board, McAllen-Miller International Airport (1998-2003); Chairman, Advisory Board, McAllen-Miller International Airport (2001); Member, Presidential Commission on Educational Excellence for Hispanic Americans, Executive Office of the President, George W. Bush Administration (2002-2003)

Judicial: Presiding Judge, Hidalgo County, Texas, 139th Judicial District Court (1995-1996)

Chambers of District Judge Micaela Alvarez *continued*

Legal Practice: Litigation Attorney, Atlas & Hall, LLP (1989-1993); Litigation Attorney, Law Offices of Ronald G. Hole (1993-1995); Litigation Attorney, Law Offices of Ronald G. Hole (1997); Litigation Attorney, Hole & Alvarez, LLP (1997-2004)

Nonprofit: Member, Board of Governors, McAllen Medical Center (1998-2001)

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Nancy Friedman Atlas

District Judge

Date of Birth: 1949
Education: Tufts 1971 BS; NYU 1974 JD
Began Service: August 22, 1995
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton



Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable Dudley Bonsal, United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (1974-1976)

Government: Assistant United States Attorney, Southern District of New York, Civil Division, Office of the United States Attorney, United States Department of Justice (1979-1982)

Legal Practice: Associate, Webster & Sheffield (1976-1978); Attorney, Sheinfeld, Maley & Kay, P.C. (1982-1995); Shareholder, Sheinfeld, Maley & Kay, P.C. (1986-1995); Director, Sheinfeld, Maley & Kay, P.C. (1994-1995)

Current Memberships: American Bar Foundation, American Bar Association; Section on Litigation, American Bar Association; The American Law Institute; The Association of Attorney-Mediators; Federal Bar Association; Houston Bar Association; Houston Bar Foundation, Houston Bar Association; National Association of Women Judges; State Bar of Texas; Texas Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas

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